

**Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Ovine and Caprine Semen
from the United States of America to the Republic of Ghana**



Veterinary Authority UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	Date Of Issue	Certificate Number
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1. Consignor:	2. Consignee:
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3. Country Of Origin: USA	4. State Of Origin
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5. Country Of Destination: GHANA	6. Zone Of Destination: *****
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7. Place of Origin:	8. Port Of Embarkation/Border Crossing:
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9. Estimated Date Of Shipment:	10. Means Of Transport:
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11. *****	12. CITES Permit Number: *****
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13. Description Of Commodity:	14. Date Of Inspection: *****
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15. Total Quantity:	16. Additional Information: *****
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17. Total Number Of Packages/Containers:

18. Identification / Seal Numbers:

19. Commodities Intended Use: Breeding/Reproduction	20. Type Of Admission: Permanent Import
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21. Identification Of Commodities:

	Official Identification of Ram/Buck	Breed	Date of Semen Collection	Straw Identification/ Collection Code	Number of Straws
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CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS:

1. The United States is free of foot-and-mouth disease without vaccination, sheep and goat pox, peste des petites ruminants, contagious caprine pleuropneumonia, and Rift Valley fever, in accordance with the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code.
2. The donor animals were born or legally imported into the United States.
3. During the 12 months prior to collection, the States of origin of the donor animals have not reported/confirmed clinical cases of caprine/ovine brucellosis (*Brucella melitensis*).
4. During the 12 months prior to collection, the farms of origin of the donor animals have been free of clinical cases of scrapie, maedi-visna, caprine arthritis/encephalitis, bluetongue, paratuberculosis, ovine epididymitis, and contagious agalactia.
5. On the day(s) of collection, all the donor animals were in good health and did not show clinical signs of infectious or communicable disease.
6. The semen has been diluted using diluents that do not contain pathogenic organisms and to which antibiotics have been added in accordance with OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code recommendations.
7. The semen straws are individually identified with donor animal and collection identification code.
8. Semen was stored in containers which were new or cleaned and disinfected with a licensed product.
9. The shipping containers will be sealed by USDA accredited veterinarian prior to transportation to the port of embarkation.
10. Semen was not exported prior to the final endorsement of required veterinary health certificate by the competent veterinary authority.

TEST REQUIREMENTS:

The donor animals were tested according to recommendations in the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals, with negative results, for the following diseases within 6 months prior to semen collection:

1. Tuberculosis (*Mycobacterium bovis*), for goats.
Date of test: _____
2. Contagious epididymitis (*Brucella ovis*), for sheep:
Date of test: _____

Name of Accredited Veterinarian:	Name of USDA Veterinarian:
Signature of Accredited Veterinarian:	Signature of USDA Veterinarian:
Date:	Date: